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Dear Sir,

British Patent Application 25685/74
Your Ref: 582-765 GB
Our Ref: A/23067 - PBM/LS

We are enclosing two copies of a further Official Letter to issue on this application, together with two copies of British Specification No. 282,369 newly cited by the Examiner.

The new citation discloses the possibility of employing cellulose in a soluble form as a component of, for example, a wrapper for a smoking article. We shall need to have your comments on the citation, together with your further comments on the distinctions to be drawn between the wrappers employed in accordance with the present case and known wrappers made from cellulosic materials (see paragraph 3 of the Official Letter).

As observed in paragraph 4 of the Official Letter some difficulty is occasioned by the fact that various of the humectants which can also be present in the film are polysaccharides. In such a case it could be difficult to determine whether a polysaccharide was to be regarded as a film forming ingredient or as a humectant. Please may we have your comments.

In response to paragraph 5 of the Official Letter we propose to delete "linear paraffins" from page 9, line 17 since these compounds do not appear to differ from the "normal paraffins" mentioned at lines 17 and 18 on the same page.

The normal term for placing this application in order for acceptance will expire on 10th December, 1976 and we look forward to hearing from you in good time before then, preferably by 24th August, 1976.

Yours faithfully,

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